

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 remain in the application, with claims 1-4, 7-10 and 13-14 having been amended hereby.

As will be noted from the Declaration, Applicants are citizens and residents of Japan and this application originated there.

Accordingly, the amendments made to the abstract are provided to place the application in idiomatic English, and the claims are amended to place them in better condition for examination.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting the same to read as follows.

--(Amended) A copyright licensing process promoting apparatus and method that prevents literary works from being uploaded to a communication network in violation of a copyright owner's rights. Literary work data is stored in the storing devices of [C/Ss] terminal units. Location information of literary work data is described on a list [of a] stored at the server. Corresponding to the list, [a] the copyright licensing process promoting [system] apparatus and method supervises the [C/Ss] terminal units. It is then determined whether or not a file [tried to be] being transmitted from a [C/S] terminal unit is literary work data. When it is determined that the file [tried to be] being transmitted is literary work data, it is next determined whether or not the user has properly performed a predetermined copyright licensing process. [When] If the [determined] result represents that the copyright licensing process has not been performed, a warning message that requests the user to perform the copyright licensing process is sent to [him or her] the user. [When] If the user ignores the warning message and [tries] tries to transmit the literary work data, the copyright process promoting [system] apparatus and method attacks the [C/S] terminal unit as the transmission source. [For example, the file [tried to be] being transmitted is destroyed.]--

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE
IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-4, 7-10 and 13-14 by rewriting same to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) A copyright licensing process promoting apparatus for promoting a copyright licensing process for literary work data transmitted [on] via a communication network, comprising:

detecting means for detecting a file of [literary work data] the literary work data [tried to be] being transmitted from a terminal unit to the communication network;

content determining means for determining whether [or not the] a content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted to the communication network and detected by said detecting means is valid; and

file processing means for performing a predetermined process for the file before the file is transmitted to the communication network when [the determined] a result of said content determining means is not valid.

--2. (Amended) The copyright licensing process promoting apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

searching means for searching for a location on a predetermined list, referenced via the communication network, at which [a] the file of the literary work data [described on a predetermined list] is stored, [the list being referenced on the communication network,]

wherein said detecting means detects the file [tried to be] being transmitted, the file being stored at the location searched by said searching means.

--3. (Amended) The copyright licensing process promoting apparatus as set forth in claim 1,

wherein when said content determining means determines that the content of the file is not valid [when] the content of the file is caused to be destroyed.

--4. (Amended) The copyright licensing process promoting apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

literary work data determining means for determining whether the content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted is literary work data; and

copyright licensing process determining means for determining whether a copyright licensing process has been performed for the literary work data,

wherein said content determining means determines that the content of the file is valid corresponding to [the determined] a result of said literary work data determining means and [the determined] a result of said copyright licensing process determining means, [that represent] and said literary work data determining means represents that the content of the file is literary work data and said copyright licensing process determining means represents that the [predetermined] copyright licensing process has not been performed for the file.

--7. (Amended) The copyright licensing process promoting apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

informing means for informing [the] a user of the terminal unit that the content of the file is not valid when [the determined] a result of said content determining means represents that the content of the file is not valid,

wherein said file processing means performs the predetermined process when the terminal unit tries to transmit the file although said informing means has informed the user that the content of the file is not valid.

--8. (Amended) A copyright licensing process promoting method for promoting a copyright licensing process for literary work data transmitted [on] via a communication network, comprising the steps of:

detecting a file of literary work data [tried to be] being transmitted from a terminal unit to the communication network;

determining whether [or not the] a content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted to the communication network and detected at the step of detecting [step] is valid;

and

performing a predetermined process for the file before the file is transmitted when [the determined] a result at the [content] step of determining [step] represents that the content of the file is not valid.

--9. (Amended) A copyright licensing process promoting

program causing a computer device to perform a copyright licensing process promoting method for promoting a copyright licensing process for literary work data transmitted [on] via a communication network, [the method] comprising [comprises] the steps of:

detecting a file of literary work data [tried to be] being transmitted from a terminal unit to the communication network;

determining whether [or not the] a content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted to the communication network and detected at the step of detecting [step] is valid;

and

performing a predetermined process for the file before the file is transmitted when [the determined] a result at the [content] step of determining [step] represents that the content of the file is not valid.

--10. (Amended) The copyright licensing process promoting program as set forth in claim 9,

wherein the copyright licensing process promoting program is supplied from the communication network to the terminal unit.

--13. (Amended) A record medium on which a computer readable copyright licensing process promoting program is recorded, the program causing a computer device to perform a copyright licensing process promoting method for promoting a copyright licensing process for literary work data transmitted [on] via a communication network, [the method] comprising the steps of:

detecting a file of literary work data [tried to be] being transmitted from a terminal unit to the communication network;

determining whether [or not the] a content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted to the communication network and detected at the step of detecting [step] is valid;

and

performing a predetermined process for the file before the file is transmitted when [the determined] a result at the [content] step of determining [step] represents that the content of the file is not valid.

--14. (Amended) A record medium on which a computer readable copyright licensing process promoting program is recorded along with literary work data, the program causing a computer device to perform a copyright licensing process promoting method for promoting a copyright licensing process for the literary work data transmitted via a communication network, the program comprising the steps of:

detecting a file of literary work data [tried to be] being transmitted from a terminal unit to the communication network;

determining whether [or not the] a content of the file [tried to be] being transmitted to the communication network and detected at the step of detecting [step] is valid;

and

performing a predetermined process for the file before the file is transmitted when [the determined] a result at the [content] step of determining [step] represents that the content

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of the file is not valid.